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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 28, 2006, Applicants elect to prosecute Group I (claims 1-26), with traverse. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks.

The present Office Action requires restriction of the claims into the following groups:

Group I, claims 1-26, drawn to a composite gel.

Group II, claims 27-60, drawn to a method for preparing a composite gel.

Group III, claims 61-66, drawn to methods of administering supplemental constituents in a composite gel.

Applicants submit that restriction between Groups I through III is unnecessary.

According to MPEP § 803, the Examiner should examine all claims in an application, even though they are directed to distinct inventions, unless to do so would create a <u>serious burden</u>. Here, the burden is minimal because of the considerable commonality of elements between the